

might have made a better man than his father.



“ Being of a very quarrellsome temper, he was often served as you here see and got many a sound drubbing by several boys like himself. Though it must be observed, that boys of a bad temper

are generally more abusive in tongues than they are fond of being for the most part cowardly. This little boy had also a dog, who was guilty of as many bad tricks of himself as his father : so that the father and his dog, were considered as better than three brutes, and despised by the neighbours.

He was one morning going with his dog Lion, for such was the animal's name, when he met the little boy going to school eating bread and butter, and having a basket in his basket. Lion immediately ran to the little boy, who, frightened at his wits, threw the bread and the dog, crying out to the father to call off his dog ; but, instead of doing, he pointed to the basket hanging upon the little boy's back, and said, “ Seize it, Lion ! ”